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.... CELEBRATE 4th IN CHATHAM; BIG CELEBRATION PLANNED; MANY EVENTS

Hanger Hop-July 3rd

Celebrate July 4th in Chatham! This year, like last year, Chatham will have an enormous 4th celebration made even more significant by events abroad. Starting off on the night of July 3rd with a Hanger Hop at Chatham Airport under the auspices of the American Legion the 4th celebration will be kept busy until late the next night. The first event scheduled to begin at 8:30 at the head of the Oyster Pond are swimming races. Beginning at 9 a.m. a large number of yachting events are planned for the harbor; including yacht races with 5 classes, Fishermans Catabout races, motor launch races, Fishermans power boat races. Throughout the day a golf tournament will be going on at Eastward Hall Country Club. At 11:30 on Veterans field the Chatham Town Baseball Team will play a game with the Monarchs of New Bedford. con. p. 3

Marine Column

Beginning with the larger boats. John Tyner has chartered the "Blue Sea" for the summer. Phyllis and Jake Cox have bought a schooner which will be in the harbor also. Every day the harbor is slowly filling up with the various type of craft that constitute the fleet in Stage Harbor.

And now to the smaller craft. Spaulding Dunbar has made two new Monomoy Interclubs for two Harwichporters, the "Nedana" and "Longshot". Spaulding also sold the Interclub he made last year and was sitting all last summer alongside his workshop to the Meinkes. No catabouts built and there still is a fleet of 41.

There is a new Steward at the S.H.Y.C. clubhouse. His name is Bob Buck and he is a West Chathamite.

We are all looking forward to the 4th of July with it's fishermen's race in the Catabouts and other contests. Ellen Fuller

Red Cross In Action

Commanded by Mrs. Heman Harding and her daughter, Miss Virginia Harding, able and faithful leaders of our local Red Cross Chapter, a group of Chatham residents started their war work, in the vestry of the M.E. Church on Thursday, June 27th. The present work consists of making kimonos, night gowns, and other articles for layettes for the children of refugees. It is planned also to knit sweaters and stockings from the wool that will be sent from Boston.

It is arranged that all the bandages will be made in the Hyannis work room. Ten picked women are going to be trained so that they can direct this work room.

It is hoped that many more Chatham residents will take this opportunity to help the refugees. -S.B. G.

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"Deep Sea Soundings"Anniversary.....

This issue celebrates the "Chatham Chatters" third anniversary. During these three years we have gradually improved, in both printing facilities and in the contents of the paper we are glad to say. We reprint now some extracts from Vol. 1 No. 1, June 29, 1937. Some headlines on the front page we thought might be of interest. One reads: Fisherman Lost; another Graduation and Class Day Exercises.

An Editorial declares: "The War In Spain is the beginning of the World's choice between fascism and democracy". The Theatre Column reviews "A Midsummers Night Dream"

which was produced at the Greenwood Theatre in Orleans. The Joke Column reports the following:

"Father: 'What are you going to be when you grow up?'

Son: 'A soldier.'

Father: 'Then the enemy might kill you.'

Son: 'In that case I'd rather be the enemy.'"

"Here and There In Science" reports that Radio Television will be a reality in the household for a little less than three times the cost of a good radio in five years. And so the Chatter begins its fourth year. We would appreciate any suggestions from our readers.

The Republican Convention

The long awaited Republican Convention opened on June 24th. For four days they figured out their platform. They are against

sending aid to the allies, but they are anxious for U.S. to spend as much money as is necessary to prepare herself. They said Roosevelt was trying to get U.S. into the war. On Wednesday the 26th the nominations took place. John Lord O'Brien nominated Dewey, Patterson nominated Taft and Representative Charles Fallick nominated Wilkie. More nominations took place the next morning. At about 4:30 on June 27th, the first ballot took place. Dewey took over most of N.Y. (92) votes, most of Illinois' votes and all of Oklahoma's votes went to Dewey. His total on the first battle was 360, Taft was 2nd, with 189. Wilkie was 3rd with 105 votes. Vanderberg was next with 76.

On the second ballot Dewey began a losing streak, losing 22 votes. Taft got above the 200 mark, with 203 votes. Wilkie made a surprising gain, 66, making his total 171 - Hoover on the 2nd ballot got 21 votes.

On the 3rd ballot, Dewey continued with his losing streak, getting only 315, Taft continued to gain slowly but surely, this time his vote was 212. On the 3rd ballot, Wilkie gained 88 votes to top Taft. Wilkie took over a lot of favorite son delegations. Wilkie had gained 154 votes, Taft 23, Dewey had lost 45 votes. On the 4th ballot a large number of Dewey supporters went over to Wilkie. He topped Dewey with 306 votes, Taft also topped Dewey with 254. Dewey lagged back in 3rd place with 205. Dewey in the 4th ballot yielded quite a bit of N.Y. to Wilkie. On the 5th ballot, Dewey's remaining supporters in Illinois, Oklahoma, and New York deserted and went over to Wilkie mainly, though Taft did not miss this opportunity. continued on page 3



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At 1:30 the Street Parade will start at Mattaquason corner and proceed to the Chatham Airport in West Chatham. Prizes for floats, Marching units and Horribles will be presented at 2:30 at the Airport. At 3 o'clock the dedication ceremonies will begin, the Honorable Edwin F. Eldredge delivering the welcoming address. After that the Honorable Crocker Snow Director of the Mass. Aeronautics Authority will dedicate the Airport. Then an Air Show will take place. High light of this will be a sham battle staged between Airplanes attacking the Chatham Airport and Battery G and Battery H who will bring along their anti-aircraft guns. Other events are also planned. The Airmail covers will also be flown around the town at this time. At 7:30 the Chatham Band will give a Band Concert at the Chatham Light and at 9:30 topping off the day there will be fireworks at the light also. The U.S.S. Haraden, a destroyer, will stay in the harbor throughout the day and it will be possible to visit it. L.B.G.

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Willkie made a gain of 123, to put him at 429. Taft gained the same amount and his votes now amounted to 377; Vandenberg withdrew and also Dewey. Wilkie on the 6th ballot walked off with the nomination by an easy margin over Senator Taft. He carried Pennsylvania, New York, California and Massachusetts. They had a 7th ballot to make it unanimous. McNary was nominated for Vice President. New Movie show time: 2:30 matinee every day, two evening shows nightly at 7:15 and 9:15.

New Radio Station

Radio Station WOCB, the Cape's new Broadcasting Station, will begin broadcasting the first week of July according to plans. The station located in West Yarmouth will offer to Cape Cod organizations and home talent a chance to broadcast. The Trans-Radio Press News Service will furnish four 15 minute news periods per day and a 5 minute news broadcast every hour. Although a definite schedule of programs is not in the Chatter's hands yet we are assured by the program Director that the policy of the Station will favor Cape Cod and Cape Cod businesses. Proof of this fact is that it is owned by two Cape Cod business women and managed by one of them. As much as possible on the spot broadcasts of Town Meetings and special events will be taken directly but if this is not possible recordings will be made and the records played afterwards. The Station will be heard clearly on all parts of the Cape and Islands. We will have more about this in the next issue.

The Class of 1939 of the Chatham High School had a reunion at the Southward Inn in Orleans on Saturday. Harry Forgeron was Toastmaster.

Seal proposals are being received by the Selectmen for highway work on Pond St. and Stage Harbor Road. A group led by Miss Nabel Kittredge of South Yarmouth will meet Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Owl Club in South Yarmouth to sew and knit for war relief. The organization will not be under the control of any particular relief organization but will ship to any relief organization it desires.

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